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Right of Way Use Fees

All Cities, Counties and Towns
All Certificated Local Exchange Providers

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On July 1, 1998, changes to the Code of Virginia providing for the establishment of a public right of way use fee to cover the use of highway and street right of way by certificated providers of telecommunication services became effective. The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is responsible for calculating the monthly fee per access line based upon a formula within the Code.

For those jurisdictions that have chosen to participate in the Right of Way Use Fee Program, the following information is provided. Reports received indicate there were 4,284,064 access lines and 5,986,384 feet of new installation as of September 30, 1999. We have calculated the public right of way use fee based upon that information to be \$0.57 per access line for the period July 1, 2000, through June 30, 2001.

All telecommunication companies affected by this legislation, should take the necessary steps to include the charge on their billings and to submit collections to the appropriate governmental entity. Monies due to VDOT should be sent to Mr. G.A. Whirley, Fiscal Administrator, at the above address.

The information indicated on the attached form is to be reported to VDOT by all certified providers of local Telecommunications services by December 1, 2000, for next year's recalculation. Should there be any questions regarding the right of way use fee, please contact this office at (804) 786-2923.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. A. Waymack", written over a horizontal line.

S. A. Waymack, Director
Right of Way and Utilities Division

Cc: Virginia Association of Counties
Virginia Municipal League
Virginia Telecommunication Industry Association
State Corporation Commission

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